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Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. §1.51(b), §1.56, §1.97, and §1.98, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in the above-identified patent application. A listing of documents to be published on the face of any patent granted from this application is submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449. Any other documents or information submitted for consideration by the Examiner are listed in this paper. A copy of each U.S. and foreign patent, or each publication or portion thereof listed or herein identified is submitted herewith.

**STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY**

A copy of the English Language abstract of laid-open application JP 2001-46300, related to the Japanese patent JP 3417353, is appended herewith. The relevancy of the documents is apparent from the abstract.

**STATEMENT REGARDING TRANSLATIONS**

A translation of Japanese JP 3417353 is not available, but the laid-open application JP 2001-46300 related to JP 3417353 and an English Language abstract of the application

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are appended to the document. A complete translation of these documents is not available to Applicants' attorney.

**STATEMENT OF CUMULATIVE INFORMATION**


JP 3417353 is the patent that matured from laid-open application JP 2001-46300.

**STATEMENT OF TIMELINESS**

It is hereby certified that each item of information contained in this statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. In particular, the references were cited in an Office Action issued in a counterpart Korean application, mailed on July 25, 2005.

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the information provided in this paper in accordance with prescribed procedures.

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						Yes	No
	JP 3417353	Feb. 2001	JAPAN				X
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## Other Documents (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Place of Publication, Etc.)


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